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Mission and Diversity Statements

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/about-us/mission-statement

Important Contacts

National Board of Medical Examiners
http://www.nbme.org/

United States Medical Licensing Examination
http://www.usmle.org/
  • USMLE Step 1 Content Overview: http://www.usmle.org/step-1/
  • USMLE Step 2 Content Overview:
    CK: http://www.usmle.org/step-2-ck/#overview

Electronic Residency Application Service
https://www.aamc.org/services/eras/

National Residency Matching Program
http://www.nrmp.org/

Association of American Medical Colleges
https://www.aamc.org/

Liaison Committee on Medical Education
http://www.lcme.org/
  • Accreditation Standards: http://lcme.org/publications/#Standards
  • List of Accredited Institutions: https://lcme.org/directory/

University Academic Calendars

https://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/md-curriculum/academic-calendars

University of Arizona Holiday Schedule

https://hr.arizona.edu/sites/default/files/hr/employees-affiliates/Benefits/Holidays_2019-2024.pdf
Campus Safety

The University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix is a closed campus. Students, Faculty and Staff are required to wear their PBC card visibly at all times while on campus. PBC cards are required to gain entry into the building and are programmed to allow entry only during specified hours.

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/campus/security

Important Numbers:

Campus Security: 602-827-2368
Front Desk: 602-827-4350
PBC Emergency Managements Team: 602-827-2045
Police, Fire, Medical Emergency Dial 911

Hours of Operation:

Students are allowed in the Health Sciences Education Building only when a security guard is present. Students will be required to leave the buildings when the security guard is making his/her final walk through the buildings. If students fail to leave the building they will be considered to be trespassing and will face disciplinary action.

Students are allowed on campus after the above listed hours if they are in the company of a U of A faculty who has extended hours privileges.

As a secure campus, students must not allow anyone to enter who is not properly credentialed. Doors should not be propped open as this threatens the security of the campus. Please do not use the handicapped button to open the doors if you are not handicapped as it leaves the doors open for a longer period of time, which increases the risk of a security breach.

Blue Emergency Phones are at the following campus locations:

East Side Building 2
West Side of Building 2
North of Building 2

Visitors

All visitors to campus are required to check in at the building reception station. Visitors may be asked to wear a visitor badge while on campus.
COVID-19 Response

[https://covid19.arizona.edu/](https://covid19.arizona.edu/)

Alcohol & Substance Use/Abuse

[http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/alcohol-policy](http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/alcohol-policy)

Support Systems and Resources

If you are experiencing problems with alcohol and/or other drugs, there are campus and community resources available to assist you.

[https://wellness.arizona.edu/medical-students/counseling-resources-medical-students](https://wellness.arizona.edu/medical-students/counseling-resources-medical-students)

Acceptable Use of Computers and Networks

[https://policy.arizona.edu/information-technology/acceptable-use-computers-and-networks-policy](https://policy.arizona.edu/information-technology/acceptable-use-computers-and-networks-policy)

Criminal Background Checks

Criminal Convictions, Fingerprinting, and Background Check

[http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/admission-requirements/additional/background-check](http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/admission-requirements/additional/background-check)

Dress Code

[http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/dress-code-policy](http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/dress-code-policy)

Degrees Offered

- Dual Degree Programs
  - MD-MPH Program
  - MD-PHD Program

Visit the [Dual Degree Web site](https://wellness.arizona.edu/medical-students/counseling-resources-medical-students) for more information.
Disabilities and Accommodations

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/disability-resource-policy

Disability Resource Center

http://drc.arizona.edu/students/

Expected Professional Attributes

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/introduction-professionalism

Essential Qualifications and Fitness for Duty Policy

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/essential-qualifications-policy

Financial Aid

Cost of Attendance

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/financial-aid/cost-attendance

Refund Policies

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/tuition-refund-policy

Financial Aid Information Sheet

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/financial-aid/loans

Applying for Financial Aid

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/financial-aid/applying

Changes to Your Financial Aid File
Your financial aid file may be adjusted on a case-by-case basis. Adjustments may be made if your projected expenses exceed your standard cost of attendance, you experience a loss
of income, or have unexpected expenses during the academic year. To find out if your situation qualifies for an adjustment, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

**Honor Code Policies and Procedures**

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/honor-code-policy

**Library- Arizona Health Sciences Library - Phoenix**

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/library

**Policies**

Please go to the following link to view all policies:

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policies/students

**Attendance Policies**

https://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/attendance-expectations-and-absence-reporting-requirements-policy

https://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/attendance-and-absence-years-3-and-4-policy

**Policies on Evaluation, Grading, and Progression**

Please go to the following link to view the most current and up-to-date policies on grading, progression and graduation:


https://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/grading-and-progression-electives-policy

**Leave of Absence Policy**

For questions or issues regarding need for a Leave of Absence, please make an appointment with the Associate Dean of Student Affairs.

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/leave-absence-policy

**Social Media Policy**

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/social-media-policy
Student Email Policy
http://registrar.arizona.edu/personal-information/guidelines-use-official-student-email-addresses

Student Immunization Policy
http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/immunization-and-health-screening-policy

Student Exposure to Potentially Infectious Agents and/or Hazardous Materials Policy

Student Mistreatment & Discrimination Policies
http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/reporting-mistreatment-or-harassment-medical-students-policy
http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/anti-harassment-and-nondiscrimination-policy

Procedures for Student Progress, Academic Integrity, and Managing Grade Appeals

Please go to the following link to view the most current and up-to-date policies regarding the Student Progress Committee:
http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/student-progress-policy

Registrar and Student Records

Registrar Contact Information
Danielle Halbert, Registrar
(602) 827-2208; dezamora@arizona.edu

Noelle Vedder, Assistant Registrar
(602) 827-2231; noellevedder@arizona.edu

http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/current-students/registrar
Student Life

Student Government

http://www.uacomps.org/

Student Clubs/Groups

http://www.uacomps.org/orgs/med-focused

Student Lounges and Study Areas

Student lounges, library, clinical skills area, and conference rooms are all available to students during campus operating hours. These areas are shared with students from various health sciences programs. Please help keep these spaces clean and free of clutter/trash.

Due to the nature of these areas for studying purposes, please keep noise to a minimum and respect the students and university staff members working around you.

Student Recreation/Gym Membership

Gym membership is now your choice and not a part of the tuition at this time. You may need to show ID at the time of your enrollment.

1. EoS Fitness Downtown Phoenix
2. YMCA Lincoln Center
3. Mountainside Fitness at Chase Field

Room Scheduling

You may schedule a room by visiting or contacting the Office of Student Affairs to determine conference room availability and to make a reservation.

Lockers

Student lockers are provided to all College of Medicine students free of charge. To obtain a locker, students contact the Office of Student Affairs for a locker assignment.
**CatCard**

The CatCard is the official University of Arizona identification card. The card features a digitized photo, digitized signature, Contactless SmartChip, and magnetic stripe. It is up to you to decide how you want to use your card. When you apply for your CatCard, you will need to provide us with your student or employee identification number to verify your status at The University of Arizona. This information is needed because only students, faculty, staff, and some affiliates of the University of Arizona are eligible to receive a CatCard. This number will not appear on the face of your CatCard, but it will be encoded electronically on your card, to be used for necessary University of Arizona internal purposes only. The number will not be provided to outside entities without your prior consent.

For more information regarding your University of Arizona CatCard, please visit [http://catcard.arizona.edu](http://catcard.arizona.edu).

**Parking**

[http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/campus/campus-parking-information](http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/campus/campus-parking-information)


**Public Transportation**

- Valley Metro is the public transportation service for the Phoenix Metropolitan Area, including bus routes and the light rail service. For more information regarding Valley Metro, please visit [http://www.valleymetro.org/](http://www.valleymetro.org/)

**Life-Work Support For Students**

Life and Work Connections offers limited support services for student parents/guardians and caregivers for adults or elders. Services include childcare subsidy for students, sick and back-up childcare, and adult/elder care consultations.

Please go to: [https://lifework.arizona.edu/for-students](https://lifework.arizona.edu/for-students) or call: 520-621-2493

**Recycling**

The University of Arizona is committed to recycling at the College of Medicine – Phoenix campus. Please pay attention to signs posted to understand what materials are appropriate
for recycling in the blue recycling bins on-campus and dispose of them properly. We also have a compost program. Bins and instructions on compostable items are provided in Buildings 1, 2, and 3, and the Health Sciences Education Building.

Recyclable materials:
- Blue recycling bins located around campus for all paper, plastic and aluminum.
- Blue recycling bins label plastic bags only located around campus.
- Battery bucket located in building one’s work room – third floor
- Desk top printers ink cartages - Building 1, 3rd Floor Reception area

**Student Services**

**Mandatory Health Insurance**

[http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/health-insurance-policy](http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/policy/health-insurance-policy)

**Using the ABOR student health policy students can access the following sites to obtain primary care:**

[http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/student-health-services-health-care-services](http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/student-health-services-health-care-services)

**For emergency situations call 911**

**Students may obtain urgent or emergent care at the following locations:**

Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix
1111 E. McDowell
Phoenix
602-839-2000

St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center
350 W. Thomas
Phoenix
602-285-3000

St. Luke’s Behavioral Hospital
1800 E. Van Buren
Phoenix, AZ
602-251-8535
Urgent Care Plus  
1002 E. McDowell  
Phoenix  
602-256-2273

Students with private health insurance should contact their insurance provider for a list of physician names and hospital facilities that can be used under the terms of their contract. Please note that the ASU nurse facility accepts a variety of insurance plans.

**Counseling Services**

https://wellness.arizona.edu/medical-students/counseling-resources-medical-students

**Emergencies after office hours:**
EMPACT Crisis Hotline 480.921.1006